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1. [redacted] four Soviet merchant vessels arrived in Chongjin (129-49,
41-46) harbor. Koreans were recruited to unload the vessels. The following
items were unloaded:

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20 "large" artillery pieces
5 tanks
10 6x6 cargo trucks
"Many" crates and boxes

2. [redacted] the following freight cars were loaded at
Pyongyang.

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13 flat cars
15 flat cars
12 flat cars

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3. Each flat car was loaded with one medium tank or one armored car. The car
also carried one Soviet soldier and five members of the North Korean People's
Army.

4. The trains were loaded during the day and departed during the night for
Sariwon (125044, 38-30).

5. [redacted] a freight train consisting of 13 flat cars passed
through Sariwon on the way to Sinmak (126-14, 38-26). Ten of the cars were
loaded with Soviet medium tanks. Three of the cars were loaded with armored
cars.

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6. [redacted] a freight train arrived at Hamhung (127-32, 39-54)
from Chongjin. The train was loaded with the following items:

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18 artillery pieces
4 tanks
10 trucks

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[REDACTED] 7. There was one member of the Soviet army and four members of the North Korean People's Army with each tank or truck.

8. [REDACTED] the freight train was still on the siding at Hamhung, but none of the military equipment remained.

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